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United States Bankruptcy Court Northern District of Illinois					Voluntary Petition				
Name of Debtor (if individual, enter Last, First, Middle): Merlo, Kathy				Name of Joint Debtor (Spouse) (Last, First, Middle):					
All Other Names used by the Debtor in the last 8 yes (include married, maiden, and trade names):	ars					e Joint Debtor i nd trade names)		years	
Last four digits of Soc. Sec. or Individual-Taxpayer (if more than one, state all): 1526	I.D. (ITIN) /Co	mplete EIN		Last four digits of Soc. Sec. or Individual-Taxpayer I.D. (ITIN) /Complete EIN (if more than one, state all):					
Street Address of Debtor (No. & Street, City, State & Zip Code): 2108 Old Elm Rd			Street Add	Street Address of Joint Debtor (No. & Street, City, State & Zip Code):					
Lindenhurst, IL	ZIPCODE 60	0046		ZIPCODE					
County of Residence or of the Principal Place of Bus Lake			County of	Residenc	e or of the	he Principal Pla			
Mailing Address of Debtor (if different from street a	ddress)		Mailing A	ddress of	Joint De	ebtor (if differen	nt from stre	et address):	
	ZIPCODE						[:	ZIPCODE	
Location of Principal Assets of Business Debtor (if o	lifferent from s	treet address	above):				I .		
								ZIPCODE	
Type of Debtor (Form of Organization) (Check one box.) Individual (includes Joint Debtors) See Exhibit D on page 2 of this form. Corporation (includes LLC and LLP) Partnership Other (If debtor is not one of the above entities, check this box and state type of entity below.) Chapter 15 Debtor Country of debtor's center of main interests: Each country in which a foreign proceeding by, regarding, or against debtor is pending: Filing Fee (Check one box) Filing Fee to be paid in installments (Applicable to only). Must attach signed application for the courconsideration certifying that the debtor is unable texcept in installments. Rule 1006(b). See Official Filing Fee waiver requested (Applicable to chapte only). Must attach signed application for the cour	Single A U.S.C. Railroad Stockbr Commo Clearing Other Debtor Title 26 Internal	(Check of Care Business Asset Real Es 101(51B) 1 oker dity Broker g Bank Tax-Exer (Check box, is a tax-exen of the Unite Revenue Co	npt Entity if applicable.) npt organization d States Code (tide). ne box: r is a small busin r is not a small busin	under he ness debte susiness d ontingent li subject to	Chap Chap	the Petition the Petition that	n is Filed (Chap Recc Main Chap Recc Non: Nature of (Check one y consume: 1 U.S.C. red by an y for a r house- C. § 101(5 J.S.C. § 10 debts owed to	box.) r Debts are primarily business debts. 1D). 1(51D). o insiders or affiliates) are less	
consideration. See Official Form 3B.	1 8	Accep		ın were so	olicited p	prepetition from	one or mo	re classes of creditors, in	
Statistical/Administrative Information Debtor estimates that funds will be available for distribution to unsecured creditors. Debtor estimates that, after any exempt property is excluded and administrative expenses paid, there will be no funds available for distribution to unsecured creditors.								THIS SPACE IS FOR COURT USE ONLY	
Estimated Number of Creditors		01- 000	10,001- 25,000	25,001- 50,000		50,001- 100,000	Over 100,000		
			\$50,000,001 to \$100 million	\$100,00 to \$500		\$500,000,001 to \$1 billion	More than		
Estimated Liabilities			\$50,000,001 to		,	\$500,000,001	More than	1	

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Voluntary Petition (This page must be completed and filed in every case)	Name of Debtor(s): Merlo, Kathy	
All Prior Bankruptcy Case Filed Within Last	t 8 Years (If more than two, attac	h additional sheet)
Location Where Filed: None	Case Number:	Date Filed:
Location Where Filed:	Case Number:	Date Filed:
Pending Bankruptcy Case Filed by any Spouse, Partner or	Affiliate of this Debtor (If mor	re than one, attach additional sheet)
Name of Debtor: None	Case Number:	Date Filed:
District:	Relationship:	Judge:
Exhibit A (To be completed if debtor is required to file periodic reports (e.g., forms 10K and 10Q) with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and is requesting relief under chapter 11.) Exhibit A is attached and made a part of this petition.	(To be completed in whose debts are provided in the attorney for the petitioner in that I have informed the petition chapter 7, 11, 12, or 13 of title explained the relief available under the second of the complete in the	if debtor is an individual rimarily consumer debts.) named in the foregoing petition, declare that [he or she] may proceed under le 11, United States Code, and have der each such chapter. I further certify notice required by 11 U.S.C. § 342(b).
	X /s/ Paul R. Idlas Signature of Attorney for Debtor(s)	12/24/14 Date
Does the debtor own or have possession of any property that poses or is a or safety? Yes, and Exhibit C is attached and made a part of this petition. No Exhibit To be completed by every individual debtor. If a joint petition is filed, early Exhibit D completed and signed by the debtor is attached and made of this is a joint petition:	bit D ach spouse must complete and attace de a part of this petition.	
Exhibit D also completed and signed by the joint debtor is attached	ed a made a part of this petition.	
Information Regardin (Check any ap Debtor has been domiciled or has had a residence, principal place of preceding the date of this petition or for a longer part of such 180 ☐ There is a bankruptcy case concerning debtor's affiliate, general p ☐ Debtor is a debtor in a foreign proceeding and has its principal place or has no principal place of business or assets in the United States be in this District, or the interests of the parties will be served in regarding.	pplicable box.) of business, or principal assets in thi days than in any other District. partner, or partnership pending in the ace of business or principal assets in but is a defendant in an action or pro-	this District. in the United States in this District, oceeding [in a federal or state court]
Certification by a Debtor Who Reside		Property
(Check all appl Landlord has a judgment against the debtor for possession of debtor		omplete the following.)
(Name of landlord that	at obtained judgment)	
(Address of	of landlord)	
☐ Debtor claims that under applicable nonbankruptcy law, there are the entire monetary default that gave rise to the judgment for poss		
Debtor has included in this petition the deposit with the court of a filing of the petition.	any rent that would become due du	ring the 30-day period after the
☐ Debtor certifies that he/she has served the Landlord with this certi	ification, (11 U.S.C. § 362(1)).	

Date

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Voluntary Petition (This page must be completed and filed in every case)	Name of Debtor(s): Merlo, Kathy				
Signa	atures				
Signature(s) of Debtor(s) (Individual/Joint)	Signature of a Foreign Representative				
I declare under penalty of perjury that the information provided in this petition is true and correct. [If petitioner is an individual whose debts are primarily consumer debts and has chosen to file under Chapter 7] I am aware that I may proceed under chapter 7, 11, 12 or 13 of title 11, United States Code, understand the relief available under each such chapter, and choose to proceed under chapter 7. [If no attorney represents me and no bankruptcy petition preparer signs the petition] I have obtained and read the notice required by 11 U.S.C. § 342(b). I request relief in accordance with the chapter of title 11, United States Code, specified in this petition.	petition is true and correct, that I am the foreign representative of a debtor in a foreign proceeding, and that I am authorized to file this petition. (Check only one box.) I request relief in accordance with chapter 15 of title 11, United States Code. Certified copies of the documents required by 11 U.S.C. § 1515 are attached. Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 1511, I request relief in accordance with the chapter of title 11 specified in this petition. A certified copy of the				
X /s/ Kathy Merlo	Signature of Foreign Representative				
Signature of Debtor X Signature of Joint Debtor	Printed Name of Foreign Representative				
Telephone Number (If not represented by attorney)	Date				
December 24, 2014 Date					
Signature of Attorney*	Signature of Non-Attorney Petition Preparer				
/s/ Paul R. Idlas Signature of Attorney for Debtor(s) Paul R. Idlas 6182303 Law Office of Paul R. Idlas 1099 N. Corporate Cir. Grayslake, IL 60030 (847) 223-5555 paul@idlas.com	I declare under penalty of perjury that: 1) I am a bankruptcy petition preparer as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 110; 2) I prepared this document for compensation and have provided the debtor with a copy of this document and the notices and information required under 11 U.S.C. §§ 110(b), 110(h) and 342(b); and 3) if rules or guidelines have been promulgated pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 110(h) setting a maximum fee for services chargeable by bankruptcy petition preparers, I have given the debtor notice of the maximum amount before preparing any document for filing for a debtor or accepting any fee from the debtor, as required in that section. Official Form 19 is attached. Printed Name and title, if any, of Bankruptcy Petition Preparer				
December 24, 2014	Social Security Number (If the bankruptcy petition preparer is not an individual, state the Social Security number of the officer, principal, responsible person or partner of the bankruptcy petition preparer.) (Required by 11 U.S.C. § 110.)				
Date *In a case in which § 707(b)(4)(D) applies, this signature also constitutes a certification that the attorney has no knowledge after an inquiry that the information in the schedules is incorrect.	Address				
Signature of Debtor (Corporation/Partnership)	V.				
I declare under penalty of perjury that the information provided in this petition is true and correct, and that I have been authorized to file this petition on behalf of the debtor.	Signature				
The debtor requests relief in accordance with the chapter of title 11, United States Code, specified in this petition.	Date Signature of Bankruptcy Petition Preparer or officer, principal, responsible person, or partner whose social security number is provided above.				
X Signature of Authorized Individual	Names and Social-Security numbers of all other individuals who prepared or assisted in preparing this document unless the bankruptcy petition preparer is not an individual:				
Printed Name of Authorized Individual	If more than one person prepared this document, attach additional sheets conforming to the appropriate official form for each person.				
Title of Authorized Individual	A bankruptcy petition preparer's failure to comply with the provisions of title 11 and the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure may result in fines or imprisonment or both 11 U.S.C. § 110; 18 U.S.C. § 156.				

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IN RE:	Case No
Merlo, Kathy	Chapter 7
	EBTOR'S STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE NSELING REQUIREMENT
do so, you are not eligible to file a bankruptcy case, and whatever filing fee you paid, and your creditors will be a	e five statements regarding credit counseling listed below. If you cannot the court can dismiss any case you do file. If that happens, you will lose able to resume collection activities against you. If your case is dismissed required to pay a second filing fee and you may have to take extra steps
Every individual debtor must file this Exhibit D. If a joint pet one of the five statements below and attach any documents of	ition is filed, each spouse must complete and file a separate Exhibit D. Check as directed.
the United States trustee or bankruptcy administrator that o	tcy case , I received a briefing from a credit counseling agency approved by utlined the opportunities for available credit counseling and assisted me in from the agency describing the services provided to me. Attach a copy of the d through the agency.
the United States trustee or bankruptcy administrator that operforming a related budget analysis, but I do not have a cert	stcy case, I received a briefing from a credit counseling agency approved by autlined the opportunities for available credit counseling and assisted me in difficate from the agency describing the services provided to me. You must file the provided to you and a copy of any debt repayment plan developed through the is filed.
	n an approved agency but was unable to obtain the services during the sever exigent circumstances merit a temporary waiver of the credit counseling rize exigent circumstances here.]
you file your bankruptcy petition and promptly file a certific fany debt management plan developed through the age case. Any extension of the 30-day deadline can be granteralso be dismissed if the court is not satisfied with your accounseling briefing. 4. I am not required to receive a credit counseling briefing motion for determination by the court.] Incapacity. (Defined in 11 U.S.C. § 109(h)(4) as import of realizing and making rational decisions with respective for the same of	nysically impaired to the extent of being unable, after reasonable effort, to
5. The United States trustee or bankruptcy administrator does not apply in this district.	has determined that the credit counseling requirement of 11 U.S.C. § 109(h)
I certify under penalty of perjury that the information p	provided above is true and correct.

Date: December 24, 2014

Signature of Debtor: /s/ Kathy Merlo

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Merlo, Kathy		Chapter 7
	Debtor(s)	•

SUMMARY OF SCHEDULES

Indicate as to each schedule whether that schedule is attached and state the number of pages in each. Report the totals from Schedules A, B, D, E, F, I, and J in the boxes provided. Add the amounts from Schedules A and B to determine the total amount of the debtor's assets. Add the amounts of all claims from Schedules D, E, and F to determine the total amount of the debtor's liabilities. Individual debtors also must complete the "Statistical Summary of Certain Liabilities and Related Data" if they file a case under chapter 7, 11, or 13.

NAME OF SCHEDULE	ATTACHED (YES/NO)	NO. OF SHEETS	ASSETS	LIABILITIES	OTHER
A - Real Property	Yes	1	\$ 150,000.00		
B - Personal Property	Yes	3	\$ 24,185.00		
C - Property Claimed as Exempt	Yes	1			
D - Creditors Holding Secured Claims	Yes	1		\$ 131,486.00	
E - Creditors Holding Unsecured Priority Claims (Total of Claims on Schedule E)	Yes	1		\$ 0.00	
F - Creditors Holding Unsecured Nonpriority Claims	Yes	2		\$ 47,402.26	
G - Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases	Yes	1			
H - Codebtors	Yes	1			
I - Current Income of Individual Debtor(s)	Yes	2			\$ 3,029.76
J - Current Expenditures of Individual Debtor(s)	Yes	4			\$ 3,017.19
	TOTAL	17	\$ 174,185.00	\$ 178,888.26	

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Northern District of Illinois

IN RE:		Case No
Merlo, Kathy		Chapter 7
	Debtor(s)	•

STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF CERTAIN LIABILITIES AND RELATED DATA (28 U.S.C. § 159)

If you are an individual debtor whose debts are primarily consumer debts, as defined in § 101(8) of the Bankruptcy Code (11 U.S.C. § 101(8)), filing a case under chapter 7, 11 or 13, you must report all information requested below.

Check this box if you are an individual debtor whose debts are NOT primarily consumer debts. You are not required to report any information here.

This information is for statistical purposes only under 28 U.S.C. § 159.

Summarize the following types of liabilities, as reported in the Schedules, and total them.

Type of Liability	Amount
Domestic Support Obligations (from Schedule E)	\$ 0.00
Taxes and Certain Other Debts Owed to Governmental Units (from Schedule E)	\$ 0.00
Claims for Death or Personal Injury While Debtor Was Intoxicated (from Schedule E) (whether disputed or undisputed)	\$ 0.00
Student Loan Obligations (from Schedule F)	\$ 0.00
Domestic Support, Separation Agreement, and Divorce Decree Obligations Not Reported on Schedule E	\$ 0.00
Obligations to Pension or Profit-Sharing, and Other Similar Obligations (from Schedule F)	\$ 0.00
TOTAL	\$ 0.00

State the following:

Average Income (from Schedule I, Line 12)	\$ 3,029.76
Average Expenses (from Schedule J, Line 22)	\$ 3,017.19
Current Monthly Income (from Form 22A-1 Line 11; OR , Form 22B Line 14; OR , Form 22C-1	
Line 14)	\$ 5,219.12

State the following:

1. Total from Schedule D, "UNSECURED PORTION, IF ANY" column		\$ 0.00
2. Total from Schedule E, "AMOUNT ENTITLED TO PRIORITY" column.	\$ 0.00	
3. Total from Schedule E, "AMOUNT NOT ENTITLED TO PRIORITY, IF ANY" column		\$ 0.00
4. Total from Schedule F		\$ 47,402.26
5. Total of non-priority unsecured debt (sum of 1, 3, and 4)		\$ 47,402.26

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SCHEDULE A - REAL PROPERTY

Except as directed below, list all real property in which the debtor has any legal, equitable, or future interest, including all property owned as a cotenant, community property, or in which the debtor has a life estate. Include any property in which the debtor holds rights and powers exercisable for the debtor's own benefit. If the debtor is married, state whether the husband, wife, both, or the marital community own the property by placing an "H," "W," "J," or "C" in the column labeled "Husband, Wife, Joint, or Community." If the debtor holds no interest in real property, write "None" under "Description and Location of Property."

Do not include interests in executory contracts and unexpired leases on this schedule. List them in Schedule G - Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases.

If an entity claims to have a lien or hold a secured interest in any property, state the amount of the secured claim. See Schedule D. If no entity claims to hold a secured interest in the property, write "None" in the column labeled "Amount of Secured Claim."

If the debtor is an individual or if a joint petition is filed, state the amount of any exemption claimed in the property only in Schedule C - Property Claimed as Exempt.

DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION OF PROPERTY	NATURE OF DEBTOR'S INTEREST IN PROPERTY	HUSBAND, WIFE, JOINT, OR COMMUNITY	CURRENT VALUE OF DEBTOR'S INTEREST IN PROPERTY WITHOUT DEDUCTING ANY SECURED CLAIM OR EXEMPTION	AMOUNT OF SECURED CLAIM
2108 Old Elm Rd Lindenhurst, IL 60046	Fee Simple	Н	150,000.00	131,486.00
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TOTAL

150,000.00

(Report also on Summary of Schedules)

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SCHEDULE B - PERSONAL PROPERTY

Except as directed below, list all personal property of the debtor of whatever kind. If the debtor has no property in one or more of the categories, place an "x" in the appropriate position in the column labeled "None." If additional space is needed in any category, attach a separate sheet properly identified with the case name, case number, and the number of the category. If the debtor is married, state whether the husband, wife, both, or the marital community own the property by placing an "H," "W," "J," or "C" in the column labeled "Husband, Wife, Joint, or Community." If the debtor is an individual or a joint petition is filed, state the amount of any exemptions claimed only in Schedule C - Property Claimed as Exempt.

Do not list interests in executory contracts and unexpired leases on this schedule. List them in Schedule G - Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases.

If the property is being held for the debtor by someone else, state that person's name and address under "Description and Location of Property." If the property is being held for a minor child, simply state the child's initials and the name and address of the child's parent or guardian, such as "A.B., a minor child, by John Doe, guardian." Do not disclose the child's name. See, 11 U.S.C. §112 and Fed. R. Bankr. P. 1007(m).

	TYPE OF PROPERTY	N O N E	DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION OF PROPERTY	HUSBAND, WIFE, JOINT, OR COMMUNITY	CURRENT VALUE OF DEBTOR'S INTEREST IN PROPERTY WITHOUT DEDUCTING ANY SECURED CLAIM OR EXEMPTION
1.	Cash on hand.		Cash on hand		20.00
2.	Checking, savings or other financial		Checking: Chase		100.00
	accounts, certificates of deposit or shares in banks, savings and loan, thrift, building and loan, and homestead associations, or credit unions, brokerage houses, or cooperatives.		Savings: Chase		15.00
3.	Security deposits with public utilities, telephone companies, landlords, and others.	X			
4.	Household goods and furnishings, include audio, video, and computer equipment.		Washer, dryer, stove/oven, refrigerator, utensils, pots and pans, table, chairs, lamps, couch, bed, dresser, vacuum cleaner, DVD player, TV, laptop and other misc household goods		1,500.00
5.	Books, pictures and other art objects, antiques, stamp, coin, record, tape, compact disc, and other collections or collectibles.	X			
6.	Wearing apparel.		Wearing apparel		350.00
7.	Furs and jewelry.		Furs and jewelry		75.00
8.	Firearms and sports, photographic, and other hobby equipment.		Bicycle		50.00
9.	Interest in insurance policies. Name insurance company of each policy and itemize surrender or refund value of each.		250000 death benefit term		0.00
10.	Annuities. Itemize and name each issue.	Х			
11.	Interests in an education IRA as defined in 26 U.S.C. § 530(b)(1) or under a qualified State tuition plan as defined in 26 U.S.C. § 529(b)(1). Give particulars. (File separately the record(s) of any such interest(s). 11 U.S.C. § 521(c).)	X			
12.	Interests in IRA, ERISA, Keogh, or other pension or profit sharing plans. Give particulars.		401k		22,075.00
13.	Stock and interests in incorporated and unincorporated businesses. Itemize.	Х			
14.	Interests in partnerships or joint ventures. Itemize.	X			

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SCHEDULE B - PERSONAL PROPERTY (Continuation Sheet)

	TYPE OF PROPERTY	N O N E	DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION OF PROPERTY	HUSBAND, WIFE, JOINT, OR COMMUNITY	CURRENT VALUE OF DEBTOR'S INTEREST IN PROPERTY WITHOUT DEDUCTING ANY SECURED CLAIM OR EXEMPTION
15.	Government and corporate bonds and other negotiable and non-negotiable instruments.	X			
16.	Accounts receivable.	X			
17.	Alimony, maintenance, support, and property settlements in which the debtor is or may be entitled. Give particulars.	Х			
18.	Other liquidated debts owed to debtor including tax refunds. Give particulars.	X			
19.	Equitable or future interest, life estates, and rights or powers exercisable for the benefit of the debtor other than those listed in Schedule A - Real Property.	X			
20.	Contingent and noncontingent interests in estate of a decedent, death benefit plan, life insurance policy, or trust.	X			
21.	Other contingent and unliquidated claims of every nature, including tax refunds, counterclaims of the debtor, and rights to setoff claims. Give estimated value of each.	X			
22.	Patents, copyrights, and other intellectual property. Give particulars.	X			
23.	Licenses, franchises, and other general intangibles. Give particulars.	X			
24.	Customer lists or other compilations containing personally identifiable information (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(41A)) provided to the debtor by individuals in connection with obtaining a product or service from the debtor primarily for personal, family, or household purposes.	X			
25.	Automobiles, trucks, trailers, and other vehicles and accessories.	X			
26.	Boats, motors, and accessories.	X			
27.	Aircraft and accessories.	X			
28.	Office equipment, furnishings, and supplies.	X			
29.	Machinery, fixtures, equipment, and supplies used in business.	X			
30.	Inventory.	X			
31.	Animals.	X			
32.	Crops - growing or harvested. Give particulars.	X			
33.	Farming equipment and implements.	X			
34.	Farm supplies, chemicals, and feed.	X			

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SCHEDULE B - PERSONAL PROPERTY (Continuation Sheet)

TYPE OF PROPERTY	N O N E	DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION OF PROPERTY	HUSBAND, WIFE, JOINT, OR COMMUNITY	CURRENT VALUE OF DEBTOR'S INTEREST IN PROPERTY WITHOUT DEDUCTING ANY SECURED CLAIM OR EXEMPTION
35. Other personal property of any kind not already listed. Itemize.	X		14	
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SCHEDULE C - PROPERTY CLAIMED AS EXEMPT

Debtor elects the exemptions to which debtor is entitled under:

Check if debtor claims a homestead exemption that exceeds \$155,675. *

11 U.S.C. § 522(b)(2) 11 U.S.C. § 522(b)(3)

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY	SPECIFY LAW PROVIDING EACH EXEMPTION	VALUE OF CLAIMED EXEMPTION	CURRENT VALUE OF PROPERTY WITHOUT DEDUCTING EXEMPTIONS
SCHEDULE A - REAL PROPERTY			
2108 Old Elm Rd Lindenhurst, IL 60046	735 ILCS 5 §12-901	15,000.00	150,000.00
SCHEDULE B - PERSONAL PROPERTY			
Cash on hand	735 ILCS 5 §12-1001(b)	20.00	20.00
Checking: Chase	735 ILCS 5 §12-1001(b)	100.00	100.00
Savings: Chase	735 ILCS 5 §12-1001(b)	15.00	15.00
Washer, dryer, stove/oven, refrigerator, utensils, pots and pans, table, chairs, lamps, couch, bed, dresser, vacuum cleaner, DVD player, TV, laptop and other misc household goods	735 ILCS 5 §12-1001(b)	1,500.00	1,500.00
Wearing apparel	735 ILCS 5 §12-1001(a)	350.00	350.00
Furs and jewelry	735 ILCS 5 §12-1001(b)	75.00	75.00
Bicycle	735 ILCS 5 §12-1001(b)	50.00	50.00

^{*} Amount subject to adjustment on 4/1/16 and every three years thereafter with respect to cases commenced on or after the date of adjustment.

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SCHEDULE D - CREDITORS HOLDING SECURED CLAIMS

State the name, mailing address, including zip code, and last four digits of any account number of all entities holding claims secured by property of the debtor as of the date of filing of the petition. The complete account number of any account the debtor has with the creditor is useful to the trustee and the creditor and may be provided if the debtor chooses to do so. List creditors holding all types of secured interests such as judgment liens, garnishments, statutory liens, mortgages, deeds of trust, and other security interests.

List creditors in alphabetical order to the extent practicable. If a minor child is the creditor, state the child's initials and the name and address of the child's parent or guardian, such as "A.B., a minor child, by John Doe, guardian." Do not disclose the child's name. See, 11 U.S.C. §112 and Fed. R. Bankr. P. 1007(m). If all secured creditors will not fit on this page, use the continuation sheet provided.

If any entity other than a spouse in a joint case may be jointly liable on a claim, place an "X" in the column labeled "Codebtor," include the entity on the appropriate schedule of creditors, and complete Schedule H – Codebtors. If a joint petition is filed, state whether the husband, wife, both of them, or the marital community may be liable on each claim by placing an "H," "W," "J," or "C" in the column labeled "Husband, Wife, Joint, or Community."

If the claim is contingent, place an "X" in the column labeled "Contingent." If the claim is unliquidated, place an "X" in the column labeled "Unliquidated." If the claim is disputed, place an "X" in the column labeled "Disputed." (You may need to place an "X" in more than one of these three columns.)

Total the columns labeled "Amount of Claim Without Deducting Value of Collateral" and "Unsecured Portion, if Any" in the boxes labeled "Total(s)" on the last sheet of the completed schedule. Report the total from the column labeled "Amount of Claim Without Deducting Value of Collateral" also on the Summary of Schedules and, if the debtor is an individual with primarily consumer debts, report the total from the column labeled "Unsecured Portion, if Any" on the Statistical Summary of Certain Liabilities and Related Data.

Check this box if debtor has no creditors holding secured claims to report on this Schedule D.

CREDITOR'S NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS INCLUDING ZIP CODE AND ACCOUNT NUMBER. (See Instructions Above.)	CODEBTOR	HUSBAND, WIFE, JOINT, OR COMMUNITY	DATE CLAIM WAS INCURRED, NATURE OF LIEN, AND DESCRIPTION AND VALUE OF PROPERTY SUBJECT TO LIEN	CONTINGENT	UNLIQUIDATED	DISPUTED	AMOUNT OF CLAIM WITHOUT DEDUCTING VALUE OF COLLATERAL	UNSECURED PORTION, IF ANY
ACCOUNT NO9324			2108 Old Elm Rd	T			131,486.00	
Chase Home Mortgage			Lindenhurst, IL 60046					
PO Box 24696								
Columbus, OH 43224-0696								
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SCHEDULE E - CREDITORS HOLDING UNSECURED PRIORITY CLAIMS

A complete list of claims entitled to priority, listed separately by type of priority, is to be set forth on the sheets provided. Only holders of unsecured claims entitled to priority should be listed in this schedule. In the boxes provided on the attached sheets, state the name, mailing address, including zip code, and last four digits of the account number, if any, of all entities holding priority claims against the debtor or the property of the debtor, as of the date of the filing of the petition. Use a separate continuation sheet for each type of priority and label each with the type of priority.

The complete account number of any account the debtor has with the creditor is useful to the trustee and the creditor and may be provided if the debtor chooses to do so. If a minor child is a creditor, state the child's initials and the name and address of the child's parent or guardian, such as "A.B., a minor child, by John Doe, guardian." Do not disclose the child's name. See, 11 U.S.C. §112 and Fed. R. Bankr. P. 1007(m).

If any entity other than a spouse in a joint case may be jointly liable on a claim, place an "X" in the column labeled "Codebtor," include the entity on the appropriate schedule of creditors, and complete Schedule H-Codebtors. If a joint petition is filed, state whether the husband, wife, both of them, or the marital community may be liable on each claim by placing an "H," "W," "J," or "C" in the column labeled "Husband, Wife, Joint, or Community." If the claim is contingent, place an "X" in the column labeled "Contingent." If the claim is unliquidated, place an "X" in the column labeled "Unliquidated." If the claim is disputed, place an "X" in the column labeled "Disputed." (You may need to place an "X" in more than one of these three columns.)

Report the total of claims listed on each sheet in the box labeled "Subtotals" on each sheet. Report the total of all claims listed on this Schedule E in the box labeled "Total" on the last sheet of the completed schedule. Report this total also on the Summary of Schedules.

Report the total of amounts entitled to priority listed on each sheet in the box labeled "Subtotals" on each sheet. Report the total of all amounts entitled to priority listed

Statistical Summary of Certain Liabilities and Related Data.
Report the total of amounts <u>not</u> entitled to priority listed on each sheet in the box labeled "Subtotals" on each sheet. Report the total of all amounts not entitled to priority listed on this Schedule E in the box labeled "Totals" on the last sheet of the completed schedule. Individual debtors with primarily consumer debts report this total also on the Statistical Summary of Certain Liabilities and Related Data.
Check this box if debtor has no creditors holding unsecured priority claims to report on this Schedule E.
TYPES OF PRIORITY CLAIMS (Check the appropriate box(es) below if claims in that category are listed on the attached sheets)
Domestic Support Obligations Claims for domestic support that are owed to or recoverable by a spouse, former spouse, or child of the debtor, or the parent, legal guardian, or responsible relative of such a child, or a governmental unit to whom such a domestic support claim has been assigned to the extent provided in 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(1).
Extensions of credit in an involuntary case Claims arising in the ordinary course of the debtor's business or financial affairs after the commencement of the case but before the earlier of the appointment of a trustee or the order for relief. 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(3).
Wages, salaries, and commissions Wages, salaries, and commissions, including vacation, severance, and sick leave pay owing to employees and commissions owing to qualifying independent sales representatives up to \$12,475* per person earned within 180 days immediately preceding the filing of the original petition, or the cessation of business, whichever occurred first, to the extent provided in 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(4).
Contributions to employee benefit plans Money owed to employee benefit plans for services rendered within 180 days immediately preceding the filing of the original petition, or the cessation of business, whichever occurred first, to the extent provided in 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(5).
Certain farmers and fishermen Claims of certain farmers and fishermen, up to \$6,150* per farmer or fisherman, against the debtor, as provided in 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(6).
Deposits by individuals Claims of individuals up to \$2,775* for deposits for the purchase, lease, or rental of property or services for personal, family, or household use, that were not delivered or provided. 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(7).
Taxes and Certain Other Debts Owed to Governmental Units Taxes, customs duties, and penalties owing to federal, state, and local governmental units as set forth in 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(8).
Commitments to Maintain the Capital of an Insured Depository Institution Claims based on commitments to the FDIC, RTC, Director of the Office of Thrift Supervision, Comptroller of the Currency, or Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, or their predecessors or successors, to maintain the capital of an insured depository institution. 11 U.S.C. § 507 (a)(9).
Claims for Death or Personal Injury While Debtor Was Intoxicated Claims for death or personal injury resulting from the operation of a motor vehicle or vessel while the debtor was intoxicated from using alcohol, a drug, or another substance. 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(10).
* Amounts are subject to adjustment on 4/01/16, and every three years thereafter with respect to cases commenced on or after the date of adjustment.
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SCHEDULE F - CREDITORS HOLDING UNSECURED NONPRIORITY CLAIMS

State the name, mailing address, including zip code, and last four digits of any account number, of all entities holding unsecured claims without priority against the debtor or the property of the debtor, as of the date of filing of the petition. The complete account number of any account the debtor has with the creditor is useful to the trustee and the creditor and may be provided if the debtor chooses to do so. If a minor child is a creditor, state the child's initials and the name and address of the child's parent or guardian, such as "A.B., a minor child, by John Doe, guardian." Do not disclose the child's name. See, 11 U.S.C. §112 and Fed. R. Bankr. P. 1007(m). Do not include claims listed in Schedules D and E. If all creditors will not fit on this page, use the continuation sheet provided.

If any entity other than a spouse in a joint case may be jointly liable on a claim, place an "X" in the column labeled "Codebtor," include the entity on the appropriate schedule of creditors, and complete Schedule H - Codebtors. If a joint petition is filed, state whether the husband, wife, both of them, or the marital community may be liable on each claim by placing an "H," "W," "J," or "C" in the column labeled "Husband, Wife, Joint, or Community."

If the claim is contingent, place an "X" in the column labeled "Contingent." If the claim is unliquidated, place an "X" in the column labeled "Unliquidated." If the claim is disputed, place an "X" in the column labeled "Disputed." (You may need to place an "X" in more than one of these three columns.)

Report the total of all claims listed on this schedule in the box labeled "Total" on the last sheet of the completed schedule. Report this total also on the Summary of Schedules and, if the debtor is an individual with primarily consumer debts, report this total also on the Statistical Summary of Certain Liabilities and Related Data.

Check this box if debtor has no creditors holding unsecured nonpriority claims to report on this Schedule F.

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CREDITOR'S NAME, MAILING ADDRESS INCLUDING ZIP CODE, AND ACCOUNT NUMBER. (See Instructions Above.)	CODEBTOR	HUSBAND, WIFE, JOINT, OR COMMUNITY	DATE CLAIM WAS INCURRED AND CONSIDERATION FOR CLAIM. IF CLAIM IS SUBJECT TO SETOFF, SO STATE	CONTINGENT	UNLIQUIDATED	DISPUTED	AMOUNT OF CLAIM
ACCOUNT NO1051							
Bank Of America PO Box 5170 Simi Valley, CA 93062							23,227.84
ACCOUNT NO0348				П			-, -
Citibank PO Box 6077 Sioux Falls, SD 57117							429.11
ACCOUNT NO.			Assignee or other notification for:	П			
United Collection Bureau, Inc 5620 Southwyck Blvd Suite 206 Toledo, OH 43614			Citibank				
ACCOUNT NO6830				Ħ		X	
Comcast PO Box 3002 Southeastern, PA 19398							66.71
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SCHEDULE F - CREDITORS HOLDING UNSECURED NONPRIORITY CLAIMS (Continuation Sheet)

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CREDITOR'S NAME, MAILING ADDRESS INCLUDING ZIP CODE, AND ACCOUNT NUMBER. (See Instructions Above.)	CODEBTOR	HUSBAND, WIFE, JOINT, OR COMMUNITY	DATE CLAIM WAS INCURRED AND CONSIDERATION FOR CLAIM. IF CLAIM IS SUBJECT TO SETOFF, SO STATE	CONTINGENT	UNLIQUIDATED	DISPUTED	AMOUNT OF CLAIM
ACCOUNT NO5542							
Discover PO Box 6103 Carol Stream, IL 60197							15,496.52
ACCOUNT NO1499						х	-,
Just Energy 35190 Eagle Way Chicago, IL 60678							464.00
ACCOUNT NO9352				+		Н	461.09
Kohls PO Box 3043 Milwaukee, WI 53201							1,372.86
ACCOUNT NO3641				+		Н	1,372.00
Sears Credit Cards PO Box 6282 Sioux Falls, SD 57117							6,348.13
ACCOUNT NO.							0,040.10
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Sheet no1 of1 continuation sheets attached Schedule of Creditors Holding Unsecured Nonpriority Clair			(Total of t			e)	\$ 23,678.60
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SCHEDULE G - EXECUTORY CONTRACTS AND UNEXPIRED LEASES

Describe all executory contracts of any nature and all unexpired leases of real or personal property. Include any timeshare interests. State nature of debtor's interest in contract, i.e., "Purchaser," "Agent," etc. State whether debtor is the lessor or lessee of a lease. Provide the names and complete mailing addresses of all other parties to each lease or contract described. If a minor child is a party to one of the leases or contracts, state the child's initials and the name and address of the child's parent or guardian, such as "A.B., a minor child, by John Doe, guardian." Do not disclose the child's name. See, 11 U.S.C. §112 and Fed. R. Bankr. P. 1007(m).

NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS, INCLUDING ZIP CODE OF OTHER PARTIES TO LEASE OR CONTRACT	DESCRIPTION OF CONTRACT OR LEASE AND NATURE OF DEBTOR'S INTERES STATE WHETHER LEASE IS FOR NONRESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY. STATE CONTRACT NUMBER OF ANY GOVERNMENT CONTRACT.
Motor Credit Box 537901 nia, MI 48153	2013 Ford Escape lease

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SCHEDULE H - CODEBTORS

Provide the information requested concerning any person or entity, other than a spouse in a joint case, that is also liable on any debts listed by the debtor in the schedules of creditors. Include all guarantors and co-signers. If the debtor resides or resided in a community property state, commonwealth, or territory (including Alaska, Arizona, California, Idaho, Louisiana, Nevada, New Mexico, Puerto Rico, Texas, Washington, or Wisconsin) within the eight-year period immediately preceding the commencement of the case, identify the name of the debtor's spouse and of any former spouse who resides or resided with the debtor in the community property state, commonwealth, or territory. Include all names used by the nondebtor spouse during the eight years immediately preceding the commencement of this case. If a minor child is a codebtor or a creditor, state the child's initials and the name and address of the child's parent or guardian, such as "A.B., a minor child, by John Doe, guardian." Do not disclose the child's name. See, 11 U.S.C. §112 and Fed. R. Bankr. P. 1007(m).

Check this box if debtor has no codebtors.

NAME AND ADDRESS OF CODEBTOR	NAME AND ADDRESS OF CREDITOR

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Fill in this information to identify	your case:					
Debtor 1 Kathy Merlo						
First Name Debtor 2	Middle Name	Last Name				
(Spouse, if filing) First Name	Middle Name	Last Name				
United States Bankruptcy Court for the:	Northern District of Illinois					
Case number		-		Check if th		
					ended filing lement showing post-pe	tition
					r 13 income as of the fol	
Official Form 6I				MM / DE	D / YYYY	
Schedule I: You	ur Income					12/13
Be as complete and accurate as p supplying correct information. If y If you are separated and your spo separate sheet to this form. On the Part 1: Describe Employn	ou are married and not f use is not filing with you e top of any additional pa	iling jointly, and yo	our spouse i formation al	s living with yo out your spou	ou, include information aluse. If more space is need	bout your spous led, attach a
Fill in your employment information.		Debtor 1			Debtor 2 or non-filing	j spouse
If you have more than one job, attach a separate page with information about additional employers.	Employment status	✓ Employed✓ Not employ	yed		☐ Employed ☐ Not employed	
Include part-time, seasonal, or self-employed work.					. ,	
Occupation may Include student or homemaker, if it applies.	Occupation	<u>Senior Admi</u>	n Assistani			
	Employer's name	Construction	Techolog	<u>/ Laboratori</u> «		
	Employer's address	5420 Old Orch Number Street			Number Street	
		Skokie, IL 60		Code	City Sta	ate ZIP Code
	How long employed th	ere? 25 years	_			
Part 2: Give Details Abou	t Monthly Income					
Estimate monthly income as o	_	rm. If you have noth	ning to report	for any line, wri	ite \$0 in the space. Include	your non-filing
spouse unless you are separated If you or your non-filing spouse h below. If you need more space, a	ave more than one emplo		ormation for a	III employers fo	or that person on the lines	
, .	·		Fo	r Debtor 1	For Debtor 2 or non-filing spouse	
List monthly gross wages, sa deductions). If not paid monthly			2. \$	5,219.12	\$	
3. Estimate and list monthly over	ertime pay.		3. + \$	0.00	+ \$	
4. Calculate gross income. Add	line 2 + line 3.		4. \$	5,219.12	\$	

Official Form 6l Schedule I: Your Income page 1

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Debtor 1

Kathy Merlo Middle Name

Last Name

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For Debtor 1 For Debtor 2 or non-filing spouse 5,219.12 Copy line 4 here..... 5. List all payroll deductions: 5a. Tax, Medicare, and Social Security deductions 5a. 1,369.51 5b. Mandatory contributions for retirement plans 5b. 0.00 5c. Voluntary contributions for retirement plans 5c. 208.77 5d. Required repayments of retirement fund loans 5d. 473.08 5e. Insurance 5e. 138.00 5f. Domestic support obligations 5f. 0.00 0.00 5g. Union dues 5g. 5h. Other deductions. Specify: 5h. 0.00 6. Add the payroll deductions. Add lines 5a + 5b + 5c + 5d + 5e + 5f + 5g + 5h. 6. 2,189.36 3,029.76 7. Calculate total monthly take-home pay. Subtract line 6 from line 4. 7. 8. List all other income regularly received: 8a. Net income from rental property and from operating a business, profession, or farm Attach a statement for each property and business showing gross receipts, ordinary and necessary business expenses, and the total 0.00 monthly net income. 8a. 8b. Interest and dividends 8b. 0.00 8c. Family support payments that you, a non-filing spouse, or a dependent regularly receive Include alimony, spousal support, child support, maintenance, divorce 0.00 settlement, and property settlement. 8c. 0.00 8d. Unemployment compensation 8d. 8e. Social Security 8e. 0.00 \$ 8f. Other government assistance that you regularly receive Include cash assistance and the value (if known) of any non-cash assistance that you receive, such as food stamps (benefits under the Supplemental 0.00 Nutrition Assistance Program) or housing subsidies. 8f. Specify: 8g. Pension or retirement income 8g. 0.00 8h. Other monthly income. Specify: _ 8h. 0.00 9. Add all other income. Add lines 8a + 8b + 8c + 8d + 8e + 8f +8g + 8h. 0.00 10. Calculate monthly income. Add line 7 + line 9. 3,029.76 3,029.76 Add the entries in line 10 for Debtor 1 and Debtor 2 or non-filing spouse. 11. State all other regular contributions to the expenses that you list in Schedule J. Include contributions from an unmarried partner, members of your household, your dependents, your roommates, and other friends or relatives. Do not include any amounts already included in lines 2-10 or amounts that are not available to pay expenses listed in Schedule J. 11. + \$ 0.00 Specify: 12. Add the amount in the last column of line 10 to the amount in line 11. The result is the combined monthly income. 3,029.76 Write that amount on the Summary of Schedules and Statistical Summary of Certain Liabilities and Related Data, if it applies 12. Combined monthly income 13. Do you expect an increase or decrease within the year after you file this form? \Box No. Yes. Explain:

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Fill in this information to identify your case:			
Debtor 1 Kathy Merlo	01 1 (41)		
First Name Middle Name Last Name	Check if this i		
Debtor 2 (Spouse, if filing) First Name Middle Name Last Name	An amend	-	petition chapter 13
United States Bankruptcy Court for the: Northern District of Illinois		as of the following	
Case number(If known)	MM / DD /	YYYY	
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Official Form 6J	maintains	a separate housel	nold
Schedule J: Your Expenses			12/13
Be as complete and accurate as possible. If two married people are filing information. If more space is needed, attach another sheet to this form (if known). Answer every question.			
Part 1: Describe Your Household			
1. Is this a joint case?			
No. Go to line 2. Yes. Does Debtor 2 live in a separate household?			
□ No□ Yes. Debtor 2 must file a separate Schedule J.			
2. Do you have dependents?	Dependent's relationship to	Do non dont'o	De se d'anandant live
Do not list Debtor 1 and Debtor 2. Yes. Fill out this information for each dependent	Dependent's relationship to Debtor 1 or Debtor 2	De pendent's age	Does dependent live with you?
Do not state the dependents' names.	Boyfriend	50	No Yes
names.			□ No
			☐ Yes
			□ No □ Yes
			□ No
			Yes
			□ No
			☐ Yes
3. Do your expenses include expenses of people other than yourself and your dependents?			
Part 2: Estimate Your Ongoing Monthly Expenses			
Estimate your expenses as of your bankruptcy filing date unless you a	ro using this form as a suppleme	nt in a Chantor 13 c	easo to roport
expenses as of a date after the bankruptcy is filed. If this is a supplementable date.			
Include expenses paid for with non-cash government assistance if you	know the value of		
such assistance and have included it on Schedule I: Your Income (Office		Your expe	nses
 The rental or home ownership expenses for your residence. Include any rent for the ground or lot. 	first mortgage payments and	4. \$1,21	6.00
If not included in line 4:			
4a. Real estate taxes		*	00
4b. Property, homeowner's, or renter's insurance		*	00
4c. Home maintenance, repair, and upkeep expenses		4c. \$ 0.	
4d. Homeowner's association or condominium dues		4d. \$ 0.	00

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Debtor 1

Kathy Merlo
First Name Middle Name

Last Name

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			Your expenses
5	. Additional mortgage payments for your residence, such as home equity loans	5.	\$
6	. Utilities:		
	6a. Electricity, heat, natural gas	6a.	\$
	6b. Water, sewer, garbage collection	6b.	\$
	6c. Telephone, cell phone, Internet, satellite, and cable services	6c.	\$185.00
	6d. Other. Specify: See Schedule Attached	6d.	\$142.15
7	Food and housekeeping supplies	7.	\$600.00
8	Childcare and children's education costs	8.	\$0.00
9	Clothing, laundry, and dry cleaning	9.	\$0.00
10.		10.	\$0.00
11.		11.	\$30.00
12.	Transportation. Include gas, maintenance, bus or train fare. Do not include car payments.	12.	\$250.00
13.	Entertainment, clubs, recreation, newspapers, magazines, and books	13.	\$0.00
14.		14.	\$75.00
15	Insurance. Do not include insurance deducted from your pay or included in lines 4 or 20.		
	15a. Life insurance	15a.	\$ 38.81
	15b. Health insurance	15b.	\$0.00
	15c. Vehicle insurance	15c.	\$94.00
	15d. Other insurance. Specify:	15d.	\$0.00
16.	Taxes. Do not include taxes deducted from your pay or included in lines 4 or 20. Specify:	16.	\$
17.	Installment or lease payments:		
	17a. Car payments for Vehicle 1	17a.	\$386.23
	17b. Car payments for Vehicle 2	17b.	\$
	17c. Other. Specify:	17c.	\$0.00
	17d. Other. Specify:	17d.	\$0.00
18.	Your payments of alimony, maintenance, and support that you did not report as deducted from your pay on line 5, Schedule I, Your Income (Official Form 6I).	18.	\$
19.	Other payments you make to support others who do not live with you.		\$ 0.00
	Specify:	19.	¥
20.	Other real property expenses not included in lines 4 or 5 of this form or on Schedule I: Your Incom	ne.	
	20a. Mort gages on other property	20a.	\$
	20b. Real estate taxes	20b.	\$
	20c. Property, homeowner's, or renter's insurance	20c.	\$
	20d. Maintenance, repair, and upkeep expenses	20d.	\$0.00
	20e. Homeowner's association or condominium dues	20e.	\$0.00

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Debtor 1	Kathy M	Middle Name	Case number (if k	Case number (if known)			
			Last Name				
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	r monthly exper result is your mor		4through 21.		22.	\$	3,017.19
. Calc	ulate your montl	hly net income.					
23a.	Copy line 12 (yo	our combined mo	onthly income) from Schedule I.		23a.	\$	3,029.76
23b.	Copy your mon	thly expenses fro	om line 22 above.		23b.	-\$	3,017.19
23c.	-	onthly expenses ur <i>monthly net in</i>	s from your monthly income. come.		23c.	\$	12.57
For e	example, do you e gage paymentto	expect to finish p	ase in your expenses within the aying for your car loan within the yease because of a modification to	ear or do you expect your			
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DECLARATION CONCERNING DEBTOR'S SCHEDULES

DECLARATION UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY BY INDIVIDUAL DEBTOR

I declare under penalty of perjury that I have read the foregoing summary and schedules, consisting of 19 sheets, and that they are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief. Date: December 24, 2014 Signature: /s/ Kathy Merlo Debtor Kathy Merlo Signature: ___ (Joint Debtor, if any) [If joint case, both spouses must sign.] DECLARATION AND SIGNATURE OF NON-ATTORNEY BANKRUPTCY PETITION PREPARER (See 11 U.S.C. § 110) I declare under penalty of perjury that: (1) I am a bankruptcy petition preparer as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 110; (2) I prepared this document for compensation and have provided the debtor with a copy of this document and the notices and information required under 11 U.S.C. §§ 110(b), 110(h), and 342 (b); and, (3) if rules or guidelines have been promulgated pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 110(h) setting a maximum fee for services chargeable by bankruptcy petition preparers, I have given the debtor notice of the maximum amount before preparing any document for filing for a debtor or accepting any fee from the debtor, as required by that section. Social Security No. (Required by 11 U.S.C. § 110.) Printed or Typed Name and Title, if any, of Bankruptcy Petition Preparer If the bankruptcy petition preparer is not an individual, state the name, title (if any), address, and social security number of the officer, principal, responsible person, or partner who signs the document. Address Signature of Bankruptcy Petition Preparer Date Names and Social Security numbers of all other individuals who prepared or assisted in preparing this document, unless the bankruptcy petition preparer is not an individual: If more than one person prepared this document, attach additional signed sheets conforming to the appropriate Official Form for each person. A bankruptcy petition preparer's failure to comply with the provision of title 11 and the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure may result in fines or imprisonment or both. 11 U.S.C. § 110; 18 U.S.C. § 156. DECLARATION UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY ON BEHALF OF CORPORATION OR PARTNERSHIP (the president or other officer or an authorized agent of the corporation or a member or an authorized agent of the partnership) of the ___ (corporation or partnership) named as debtor in this case, declare under penalty of perjury that I have read the foregoing summary and schedules, consisting of _____ sheets (total shown on summary page plus 1), and that they are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

[An individual signing on behalf of a partnership or corporation must indicate position or relationship to debtor.]

Penalty for making a false statement or concealing property: Fine of up to \$500,000 or imprisonment for up to 5 years or both. 18 U.S.C. §§ 152 and 3571.

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Merlo, Kathy		Chapter 7
	Debtor(s)	1

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

This statement is to be completed by every debtor. Spouses filing a joint petition may file a single statement on which the information for both spouses is combined. If the case is filed under chapter 12 or chapter 13, a married debtor must furnish information for both spouses whether or not a joint petition is filed, unless the spouses are separated and a joint petition is not filed. An individual debtor engaged in business as a sole proprietor, partner, family farmer, or self-employed professional, should provide the information requested on this statement concerning all such activities as well as the individual's personal affairs. To indicate payments, transfers and the like to minor children, state the child's initials and the name and address of the child's parent or guardian, such as "A.B., a minor child, by John Doe, guardian." Do not disclose the child's name. See, 11 U.S.C. §112 and Fed. R. Bankr. P. 1007(m).

Questions 1 - 18 are to be completed by all debtors. Debtors that are or have been in business, as defined below, also must complete Questions 19 -25. If the answer to an applicable question is "None," mark the box labeled "None." If additional space is needed for the answer to any question, use and attach a separate sheet properly identified with the case name, case number (if known), and the number of the question.

DEFINITIONS

"In business." A debtor is "in business" for the purpose of this form if the debtor is a corporation or partnership. An individual debtor is "in business" for the purpose of this form if the debtor is or has been, within six years immediately preceding the filing of this bankruptcy case, any of the following: an officer, director, managing executive, or owner of 5 percent or more of the voting or equity securities of a corporation; a partner, other than a limited partner, of a partnership; a sole proprietor or self-employed full-time or part-time. An individual debtor also may be "in business" for the purpose of this form if the debtor engages in a trade, business, or other activity, other than as an employee, to supplement income from the debtor's primary employment.

"Insider." The term "insider" includes but is not limited to: relatives of the debtor; general partners of the debtor and their relatives; corporations of which the debtor is an officer, director, or person in control; officers, directors, and any persons in control of a corporate debtor and their relatives; affiliates of the debtor and insiders of such affiliates; any managing agent of the debtor. 11 U.S.C. § 101(2),(31).

1. Income from employment or operation of business

None State the gross amount of income the debtor has received from employment, trade, or profession, or from operation of the debtor's business, including part-time activities either as an employee or in independent trade or business, from the beginning of this calendar year to the date this case was commenced. State also the gross amounts received during the two years immediately preceding this calendar year. (A debtor that maintains, or has maintained, financial records on the basis of a fiscal rather than a calendar year may report fiscal year income. Identify the beginning and ending dates of the debtor's fiscal year.) If a joint petition is filed, state income for each spouse separately. (Married debtors filing under chapter 12 or chapter 13 must state income of both spouses whether or not a joint petition is filed, unless the spouses are separated and a joint petition is not filed.)

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2. Income other than from employment or operation of business

None State the amount of income received by the debtor other than from employment, trade, profession, operation of the debtor's business during the two years immediately preceding the commencement of this case. Give particulars. If a joint petition is filed, state income for each spouse separately. (Married debtors filing under chapter 12 or chapter 13 must state income for each spouse whether or not a joint petition is filed, unless the spouses are separated and a joint petition is not filed.)

3. Payments to creditors

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Complete a. or b., as appropriate, and c.

None	a. Individual or joint debtor(s) with primarily consumer debts: List all payments on loans, installment purchases of goods or services, and other
	debts to any creditor made within 90 days immediately preceding the commencement of this case unless the aggregate value of all property that
	constitutes or is affected by such transfer is less than \$600. Indicate with an asterisk (*) any payments that were made to a creditor on account of
	a domestic support obligation or as part of an alternative repayment schedule under a plan by an approved nonprofit budgeting and credit
	counseling agency. (Married debtors filing under chapter 12 or chapter 13 must include payments by either or both spouses whether or not a joint
	petition is filed, unless the spouses are separated and a joint petition is not filed.)

DATES OF PAYMENTS

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Ford Motor Credit PO Box 537901 Livonia, MI 48153-0000

0.00 **Chase Home Mortgage** 3 pymts of \$1215.73/mo 131,486.00

b. Debtor whose debts are not primarily consumer debts: List each payment or other transfer to any creditor made within 90 days immediately preceding the commencement of the case unless the aggregate value of all property that constitutes or is affected by such transfer is less than \$6,255.* If the debtor is an individual, indicate with an asterisk (*) any payments that were made to a creditor on account of a domestic support obligation or as part of an alternative repayment schedule under a plan by an approved nonprofit budgeting and credit counseling agency. (Married debtors filing under chapter 12 or chapter 13 must include payments and other transfers by either or both spouses whether or not a joint petition is filed, unless the spouses are separated and a joint petition is not filed.)

* Amount subject to adjustment on 4/01/16, and every three years thereafter with respect to cases commenced on or after the date of adjustment.

c. All debtors: List all payments made within one year immediately preceding the commencement of this case to or for the benefit of creditors who are or were insiders. (Married debtors filing under chapter 12 or chapter 13 must include payments by either or both spouses whether or not a joint petition is filed, unless the spouses are separated and a joint petition is not filed.)

4. Suits and administrative proceedings, executions, garnishments and attachments

a. List all suits and administrative proceedings to which the debtor is or was a party within one year immediately preceding the filing of this bankruptcy case. (Married debtors filing under chapter 12 or chapter 13 must include information concerning either or both spouses whether or not a joint petition is filed, unless the spouses are separated and a joint petition is not filed.)

b. Describe all property that has been attached, garnished or seized under any legal or equitable process within one year immediately preceding the commencement of this case. (Married debtors filing under chapter 12 or chapter 13 must include information concerning property of either or both spouses whether or not a joint petition is filed, unless the spouses are separated and a joint petition is not filed.)

5. Repossessions, foreclosures and returns

List all property that has been repossessed by a creditor, sold at a foreclosure sale, transferred through a deed in lieu of foreclosure or returned to the seller, within one year immediately preceding the commencement of this case. (Married debtors filing under chapter 12 or chapter 13 must include information concerning property of either or both spouses whether or not a joint petition is filed, unless the spouses are separated and a joint petition is not filed.)

6. Assignments and receiverships

a. Describe any assignment of property for the benefit of creditors made within 120 days immediately preceding the commencement of this case. (Married debtors filing under chapter 12 or chapter 13 must include any assignment by either or both spouses whether or not a joint petition is filed, unless the spouses are separated and joint petition is not filed.)

b. List all property which has been in the hands of a custodian, receiver, or court-appointed official within one year immediately preceding the commencement of this case. (Married debtors filing under chapter 12 or chapter 13 must include information concerning property of either or both spouses whether or not a joint petition is filed, unless the spouses are separated and a joint petition is not filed.)

7. Gifts

List all gifts or charitable contributions made within one year immediately preceding the commencement of this case except ordinary and usual gifts to family members aggregating less than \$200 in value per individual family member and charitable contributions aggregating less than \$100 per recipient. (Married debtors filing under chapter 12 or chapter 13 must include gifts or contributions by either or both spouses whether or not a joint petition is filed, unless the spouses are separated and a joint petition is not filed.)

8. Losses

List all losses from fire, theft, other casualty or gambling within one year immediately preceding the commencement of this case or since the commencement of this case. (Married debtors filing under chapter 12 or chapter 13 must include losses by either or both spouses whether or not a joint petition is filed, unless the spouses are separated and a joint petition is not filed.)

9. Payments related to debt counseling or bankruptcy

List all payments made or property transferred by or on behalf of the debtor to any persons, including attorneys, for consultation concerning debt consolidation, relief under the bankruptcy law or preparation of a petition in bankruptcy within one year immediately preceding the commencement of this case.

NAME AND ADDRESS OF PAYEE Paul R. Idlas 1099 N Coporate Corcle Grayslake, IL 60030-0000

DATE OF PAYMENT, NAME OF PAYOR IF OTHER THAN DEBTOR 12/19/14

AMOUNT OF MONEY OR DESCRIPTION AND VALUE OF PROPERTY 1,000.00

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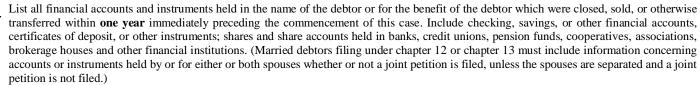
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10. Other transfers

a. List all other property, other than property transferred in the ordinary course of the business or financial affairs of the debtor, transferred either absolutely or as security within **two years** immediately preceding the commencement of this case. (Married debtors filing under chapter 12 or chapter 13 must include transfers by either or both spouses whether or not a joint petition is filed, unless the spouses are separated and a joint petition is not filed.)

b. List all property transferred by the debtor within ten years immediately preceding the commencement of this case to a self-settled trust or similar device of which the debtor is a beneficiary.

11. Closed financial accounts



12. Safe deposit boxes



None List each safe deposit or other box or depository in which the debtor has or had securities, cash, or other valuables within one year immediately preceding the commencement of this case. (Married debtors filing under chapter 12 or chapter 13 must include boxes or depositories of either or both spouses whether or not a joint petition is filed, unless the spouses are separated and a joint petition is not filed.)

13. Setoffs



List all setoffs made by any creditor, including a bank, against a debt or deposit of the debtor within 90 days preceding the commencement of this case. (Married debtors filing under chapter 12 or chapter 13 must include information concerning either or both spouses whether or not a joint petition is filed, unless the spouses are separated and a joint petition is not filed.)

14. Property held for another person

List all property owned by another person that the debtor holds or controls.



15. Prior address of debtor

If debtor has moved within three years immediately preceding the commencement of this case, list all premises which the debtor occupied during that period and vacated prior to the commencement of this case. If a joint petition is filed, report also any separate address of either spouse.

16. Spouses and Former Spouses

If the debtor resides or resided in a community property state, commonwealth, or territory (including Alaska, Arizona, California, Idaho, Louisiana, Nevada, New Mexico, Puerto Rico, Texas, Washington, or Wisconsin) within eight years immediately preceding the commencement of the case, identify the name of the debtor's spouse and of any former spouse who resides or resided with the debtor in the community property state.

17. Environmental Information

For the purpose of this question, the following definitions apply:

"Environmental Law" means any federal, state, or local statute or regulation regulating pollution, contamination, releases of hazardous or toxic substances, wastes or material into the air, land, soil, surface water, groundwater, or other medium, including, but not limited to, statutes or regulations regulating the cleanup of these substances, wastes or material.

"Site" means any location, facility, or property as defined under any Environmental Law, whether or not presently or formerly owned or operated by the debtor, including, but not limited to, disposal sites.

"Hazardous Material" means anything defined as a hazardous waste, hazardous substance, toxic substance, hazardous material, pollutant, or contaminant or similar term under an Environmental Law.

a. List the name and address of every site for which the debtor has received notice in writing by a governmental unit that it may be liable or potentially liable under or in violation of an Environmental Law. Indicate the governmental unit, the date of the notice, and, if known, the Environmental Law.

b. List the name and address of every site for which the debtor provided notice to a governmental unit of a release of Hazardous Material. Indicate the governmental unit to which the notice was sent and the date of the notice.

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None

c. List all judicial or administrative proceedings, including settlements or orders, under any Environmental Law with respect to which the debtor is or was a party. Indicate the name and address of the governmental unit that is or was a party to the proceeding, and the docket number.

18. Nature, location and name of business

None

a. *If the debtor is an individual*, list the names, addresses, taxpayer-identification numbers, nature of the businesses, and beginning and ending dates of all businesses in which the debtor was an officer, director, partner, or managing executive of a corporation, partner in a partnership, sole proprietor, or was self-employed in a trade, profession, or other activity either full- or part-time within **six years** immediately preceding the commencement of this case, or in which the debtor owned 5 percent or more of the voting or equity securities within **six years** immediately preceding the commencement of this case.

If the debtor is a partnership, list the names, addresses, taxpayer identification numbers, nature of the businesses, and beginning and ending dates of all businesses in which the debtor was a partner or owned 5 percent or more of the voting or equity securities, within **six years** immediately preceding the commencement of this case.

If the debtor is a corporation, list the names, addresses, taxpayer identification numbers, nature of the businesses, and beginning and ending dates of all businesses in which the debtor was a partner or owned 5 percent or more of the voting or equity securities within **six years** immediately preceding the commencement of this case.

None

b. Identify any business listed in response to subdivision a., above, that is "single asset real estate" as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101.

[If completed by an individual or individual and spouse]

I declare under penalty of perjury that I have read the answers contained in the foregoing statement of financial affairs and any attachments thereto and that they are true and correct.

Date: December 24, 2014	Signature /s/ Kathy Merlo	
	of Debtor	Kathy Merlo
Date:	Signature	
	of Joint Debtor	
	(if any)	
	0 continuation pages attached	

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Date: ___

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CHAPTER	R 7 INDIVIDUAL DEBTO	OR'S STATEME	NT OF INTENTION
PART A – Debts secured by property state. Attach additional pages if nec		e fully completed fo	r EACH debt which is secured by property of th
Property No. 1			
Creditor's Name: Chase Home Mortgage		Describe Proper 2108 Old Elm Ro	ty Securing Debt:
Property will be (check one): ☐ Surrendered			
If retaining the property, I intend to ☐ Redeem the property ✓ Reaffirm the debt ☐ Other. Explain	(check at least one):	(for	example, avoid lien using 11 U.S.C. § 522(f)).
Property is (check one): ✓ Claimed as exempt Not cl	aimed as exempt		
Property No. 2 (if necessary)]	
Creditor's Name:		Describe Proper	ty Securing Debt:
Property will be (check one): Surrendered Retained			
If retaining the property, I intend to Redeem the property Reaffirm the debt Other. Explain	(check at least one):	(fo	example, avoid lien using 11 U.S.C. § 522(f)).
Property is (check one): Claimed as exempt Not cl	aimed as exempt		
PART B – Personal property subject additional pages if necessary.)	to unexpired leases. (All three o	columns of Part B m	ust be completed for each unexpired lease. Attacl
Property No. 1			
Lessor's Name: Ford Motor Credit	Describe Leased 2013 Ford Esca		Lease will be assumed pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 365(p)(2): ✓ Yes ☐ No
Property No. 2 (if necessary)			
Lessor's Name:	Describe Leased	Property:	Lease will be assumed pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 365(p)(2): ☐ Yes ☐ No
continuation sheets attached (if a			<u> </u>

/s/ Kathy Merlo

Signature of Debtor

Signature of Joint Debtor

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	VERIFICATION OF CREI	DITOR MATRIX
		Number of Creditors11
The above-named Debtor(s) her	eby verifies that the list of creditors	is true and correct to the best of my (our) knowledge.
Date: December 24, 2014	/s/ Kathy Merlo Debtor	

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Merlo, Kathy 2108 Old Elm Rd Lindenhurst, IL 60046 Document Kohls PO Box 3043 Milwaukee, WI 53201

Law Office of Paul R. Idlas 1099 N. Corporate Cir. Grayslake, IL 60030 Sears Credit Cards PO Box 6282 Sioux Falls, SD 57117

Bank Of America PO Box 5170 Simi Valley, CA 93062 United Collection Bureau, Inc 5620 Southwyck Blvd Suite 206 Toledo, OH 43614

Chase Home Mortgage PO Box 24696 Columbus, OH 43224-0696

Citibank PO Box 6077 Sioux Falls, SD 57117

Comcast PO Box 3002 Southeastern, PA 19398

Discover PO Box 6103 Carol Stream, IL 60197

First National Bank Omaha PO Box 2557 Omaha, NE 68103

Ford Motor Credit PO Box 537901 Livonia, MI 48153

Just Energy 35190 Eagle Way Chicago, IL 60678

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DISCLOSURE OF COMI	PENSATION OF ATTORNEY FOR DEBTOR

IN	NRE:	Case No.	
Me	erlo, Kathy	Chapter 7	
	Debtor(s)	•	
	DISCLOSURE OF COMPENSATION OF ATTORNEY	FOR DEBTOR	
1.	Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 329(a) and Bankruptcy Rule 2016(b), I certify that I am the attorney for the above-nam one year before the filing of the petition in bankruptcy, or agreed to be paid to me, for services rendered or to be of or in connection with the bankruptcy case is as follows:		
	For legal services, I have agreed to accept		2,035.00
	Prior to the filing of this statement I have received	\$	1,000.00
	Balance Due	\$	1,035.00
2.	The source of the compensation paid to me was: Debtor Dother (specify):		
3.	The source of compensation to be paid to me is: Debtor Dother (specify):		
4.	I have not agreed to share the above-disclosed compensation with any other person unless they are member	rs and associates of my law firm.	
	I have agreed to share the above-disclosed compensation with a person or persons who are not members o together with a list of the names of the people sharing in the compensation, is attached.	r associates of my law firm. A copy	of the agreement,
5.	In return for the above-disclosed fee, I have agreed to render legal service for all aspects of the bankruptcy case,	including:	
	 a. Analysis of the debtor's financial situation, and rendering advice to the debtor in determining whether to fill b. Preparation and filing of any petition, schedules, statement of affairs and plan which may be required; c. Representation of the debtor at the meeting of creditors and confirmation hearing, and any adjourned hearing. d. Representation of the debtor in adversary proceedings and other contested bankruptey matters; e. [Other provisions as needed] 	1 3	
6.	By agreement with the debtor(s), the above disclosed fee does not include the following services:		

	CERTIFICATION
I certify that the foregoing is a complete statement of proceeding.	any agreement or arrangement for payment to me for representation of the debtor(s) in this bankruptcy
December 24, 2014	/s/ Paul R. Idlas
Date	Paul R. Idlas 6182303 Law Office of Paul R. Idlas 1099 N. Corporate Cir. Grayslake, IL 60030 (847) 223-5555 paul@idlas.com

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BANKRUPTCY RETAINER AGREEMENT

(Only for Legal Services Rendered Prior to the filing of the Chapter 7 Bankruptcy Petition)

CLIENT: _	Kathy	Merlo		
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Client has retained the services of PAUL R. IDLAS, Attorney, to represent Client with respect to the preparation and filing of a Chapter 7 Bankruptcy Petition.

PAUL R. IDLAS will provide the legal services necessary to file the Chapter 7 Bankruptcy Petition, including but not necessarily limited to the following:

- 1. Consult with Client with respect to Client's financial situation and the advantages and disadvantages of filing a Chapter 7 Bankruptcy Petition and advise of the possibilities of filing a bankruptcy petition under either Chapter 11, 12 or 13;
- 2. Discuss with Client possible alternatives to filing a Bankruptcy Petition;
- 3. Obtaining information from Client necessary to file a Chapter 7 Bankruptcy Petition;
- 4. Pay the \$335.00 filing fee to the Bankruptcy Court Clerk and file the Chapter 7 Bankruptcy Petition.

Client agrees to retain the services of PAUL R. IDLAS, Attorney, as described above, and further agrees to:

- 1. Provide PAUL R. IDLAS with the information he deems necessary in his professional opinion to prepare the Chapter 7 Bankruptcy Petition, including but not limited to:
 - a. Full disclosure of all assets and liabilities;
 - b. Valuation of assets;
 - c. Names, addresses, account numbers and amounts owed to each creditor;
 - d. Truthful answers to the questions contained in the Statement of Financial Affairs.
- 2. Pay PAUL R. IDLAS the sum of \$_/\(\documea_{\infty}\) prior to the filing of the Chapter 7 Bankruptcy Petition.

AT SUCH TIME AS THE CHAPTER 7 BANKRUPTCY PETITION IS FILED, PAUL R. IDLAS WILL HAVE TOTALLY FULFILLED HIS OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE TERMS OF THIS BANKRUPTCY RETAINER AGREEMENT AND WILL BE UNDER NO CONTRACTUAL DUTY TO PROVIDE ANY FURTHER LEGAL SERVICES TO CLIENT EXCEPT FOR THOSE SET FORTH BELOW, IF ANY, IN THE PARAGRAPH DEFINED AS "ADDITIONAL POST FILING SERVICES."

PAUL R. IDLAS CAN CONTINUE TO REPRESENT YOU IN THE CHAPTER 7
BANKRUPTCY PROCEEDING AND WOULD LIKE TO DO SO. IF CLIENT WISHES TO
CONTINUE TO HAVE PAUL R. IDLAS REPRESENT CLIENT, IT IS NECESSARY FOR PAUL
R. IDLAS AND CLIENT TO ENTER INTO A SEPARATE AGREEMENT, THE POST FILING
RETAINER AGREEMENT, FOR THIS CONTINUED REPRESENTATION TO OCCUR. THIS
POST FILING RETAINER AGREEMENT MUST BE AGREED TO AND EXECUTED AFTER
THE CHAPTER 7 BANKRUPTCY PETITION HAS BEEN FILED.

Client acknowledges:

- 1. Client is under no obligation whatsoever to retain the services of PAUL R. IDLAS to represent Client in any aspect of the Bankruptcy Proceeding after filing of the Chapter 7 Bankruptcy Petition. If client wishes to retain the services of PAUL R. IDLAS, Client must enter into a separate fee agreement for the legal services to be performed after filing.
- 2. Client acknowledges and understands that if Client does not enter into the Post Filing Retainer Agreement with PAUL R. IDLAS, the PAUL R. IDLAS will file a Petition to Withdraw and client will not object to withdrawal.
- 3. It may be necessary for client to file additional documents, including but not limited to:
 - a. Additional or amended schedules;
 - b. Statement of Financial Affairs;
 - c. Other documents depending upon the circumstances of the case.

Client acknowledges that this Bankrup Client, read by Client and understood by Client	tcy Retainer Agreement has been explained to
PAUL R. IDLAS	CLIENT MANA
Date: 12-23-14	CLIENT

Date

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Voluntary Petition (This page must be completed and filed in every case)	Name of Debtor(s): Merlo, Kathy
Signa	atures
Signature(s) of Debtor(s) (Individual/Joint)	Signature of a Foreign Representative
I declare under penalty of perjury that the information provided in this petition is true and correct. [If petitioner is an individual whose debts are primarily consumer debts and has chosen to file under Chapter 7] I am aware that I may proceed under chapter 7, 11, 12 or 13 of title 11, United States Code, understand the relief available under each such chapter, and choose to proceed under chapter 7. [If no attorney represents me and no bankruptcy petition preparer signs the petition] I have obtained and read the notice required by 11 U.S.C. § 342(b). I request relief in accordance with the chapter of title 11, United States Code, specified in this petition. X Signature of Debto Telephone Number (If not represented by attorney) December 22, 2014	I declare under penalty of perjury that the information provided in this petition is true and correct, that I am the foreign representative of a debtor in a foreign proceeding, and that I am authorized to file this petition. (Check only one box.) I request relief in accordance with chapter 15 of title 11, United States Code. Certified copies of the documents required by 11 U.S.C. § 1515 are attached. Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 1511, I request relief in accordance with the chapter of title 11 specified in this petition. A certified copy of the order granting recognition of the foreign main proceeding is attached. X Signature of Foreign Representative Printed Name of Foreign Representative Date
Signature of Attorney* X Signature of Attorney for Debtor(s) Paul R. Idlas 6182303 Law Office of Paul R. Idlas 1099 N. Corporate Cir. Grayslake, IL 60030 (847) 223-5555 paul@idlas.com	Signature of Non-Attorney Petition Preparer I declare under penalty of perjury that: 1) I am a bankruptcy petition preparer as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 110; 2) I prepared this document for compensation and have provided the debtor with a copy of this document and the notices and information required under 11 U.S.C. §§ 110(b), 110(h) and 342(b); and 3) if rules or guidelines have been promulgated pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 110(h) setting a maximum fee for services chargeable by bankruptcy petition preparers, I have given the debtor notice of the maximum amount before preparing any document for filing for a debtor or accepting any fee from the debtor, as required in that section. Official Form 19 is attached. Printed Name and title, if any, of Bankruptcy Petition Preparer Social Security Number (If the bankruptcy petition preparer is not an individual, state the Social Security number of the officer, principal, responsible person or partner of the
December 22, 2014 Date *In a case in which § 707(b)(4)(D) applies, this signature also constitutes a certification that the attorney has no knowledge after an inquiry that the	bankruptcy petition preparer.) (Required by 11 U.S.C. § 110.) Address
information in the schedules is incorrect.	
Signature of Debtor (Corporation/Partnership)	x
I declare under penalty of perjury that the information provided in this petition is true and correct, and that I have been authorized to file this petition on behalf of the debtor.	Signature
The debtor requests relief in accordance with the chapter of title 11, United States Code, specified in this petition.	Date Signature of Bankruptcy Petition Preparer or officer, principal, responsible person, or partner whose social security number is provided above.
X Signature of Authorized Individual	Names and Social-Security numbers of all other individuals who prepared or assisted in preparing this document unless the bankruptcy petition preparer is not an individual:
Printed Name of Authorized Individual	If more than one person prepared this document, attach additional sheets conforming to the appropriate official form for each person.
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Debtor 1	Kathy Merlo		Case number (if known)		
	First Name Middle Name Last Name				
			Column A Debtor 1	Column B Debtor 2 or non-filing spouse	
8. Unemp	ployment compensation		\$0.00	\$ 0.00	
	enter the amount if you contend that the amoun the Social Security Act. Instead, list it here:				
For	you	\$ <u>0.00</u>			
For	your spouse	··· \$ <u>0.00</u>			
	on or retirement income. Do not include any an t under the Social Security Act.	nount received that was a	\$ <u>0.00</u>	\$0.00	
Do not as a vi	e from all other sources not listed above. Spet include any benefits received under the Social Sictim of a war crime, a crime against humanity, or sm. If necessary, list other sources on a separate	Security Act or payments receiver international or domestic			
10a			\$	\$	
10b			\$	\$	
10c. T	Total amounts from separate pages, if any.		+\$ 0.00	+ \$ 0.00	
	late your total current monthly income. Add linn. Then add the total for Column A to the total for		\$ <u>5,219.12</u> +	\$0.00	\$ 5,219.12 Total current month
					income
Part 2:	Determine Whether the Means Test A	pplies to You			
12. Calcul	ate your current monthly income for the year	. Follow these steps:		-	
12a.	Copy your total current morthly income from line	11	Copy II	ne 11 here→12a.	\$ <u>5,219.12</u>
	Multiply by 12 (the number of months in a year).			_	x 12
12b.	The result is your annual income for this part of t	the form.		12b.	\$ <u>62,629.44</u>
13. Calcul	late the median family Income that applies to	you. Follow these steps:		_	
Fill in t	the state in which you live.	Illinois			
	the number of people in your household.	2		Г	
To find	themedian family income for your state and size d a list of applicable median income amounts, go ctions for this form. This list may also be available	online using the link specified	in the separate	13.	\$ <u>61,443.00</u>
14. How d	to the lines compare?				
14a. 🗖	Go to Part 3.				
14b. 🗹	Line 12b is more than line 13. On the top of page 60 to Part 3 and fill out Form 22A-2.	age 1, check box 2, <i>The presui</i>	mption of abuse is deten	nined by Form 22A-	2.
Part 3:	Sign Below				
	By signing here I declare under penalty of per	jury that the information on this	statement and in any at	achments is true an	d correct.
	* Xathy Souls	*			
	Signature of Debtov 1		Signature of Debtor 2		
	Date December 22, 2014 MM / DD / YYYY		Date MM / DD / YYYY		
	If you checked line 14a, do NOT fill out or file F	Form 22A-2.			
	If you checked line 14b, fill out Form 22A-2 and	d file it with this form.			

Debtor 1 Case number (if kn 41. 41a. Fill in the amount of your total nonpriority unsecured debt. If you filled out A Summary of Your Assets and Liabilities and Certain Statistical Information Schedules (Official Form 6), you may refer to line 5 on that form. .25 41b. 25% of your total nonpriority unsecured debt. 11 U.S.C. § 707(b)(2)(A)(i)(l) Copy Multiply line 41a by 0.25. 42. Determine whether the income you have left over after subtracting all allowed deductions is enough to pay 25% of your unsecured, nonpriority debt. Check the box that applies: Line 39d is less than line 41b. On the top of page 1 of this form, check box 1, There is no presumption of abuse. Go to Part 5. Line 39d is equal to or more than line 41b. On the top of page 1 of this form, check box 2, There is a presumption of abuse. You may fill out Part 4 if you claim special circumstances. Then go to Part 5. Part 4: **Give Details About Special Circumstances** 43. Do you have any special circumstances that justify additional expenses or adjustments of current monthly income for which there is no reasonable alternative? 11 U.S.C. § 707(b)(2)(B). No. Go to Part 5. Yes. Fill in the following information. All figures should reflect your average monthly expense or income adjustment for each item. You may include expenses you listed in line 25. You must give a detailed explanation of the special circumstances that make the expenses or income adjustments necessary and reasonable. You must also give your case trustee documentation of your actual expenses or income adjustments. Average monthly expense Give a detailed explanation of the special circumstances or income adjustment Part 5: Sign Below By signing here, I declare under penalty of perjury that the information on this statement and in any attachments is true and correct. Signature of Debtor 2 Date December 22, 2014 Date MM/DD /YYYY MM /DD / YYYY

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B1D (Official Form 1, Exhibit D) (12/09)

United States Bankruptcy Court Northern District of Illinois

IN RE:	Case No.
Merlo, Kathy	Chapter 7
Debtor(s)	-

EXHIBIT D - INDIVIDUAL DEBTOR'S STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE CREDIT COUNSELING REQUIREMENT

Warning: You must be able to check truthfully one of the five statements regarding credit counseling listed below. If you cannot de so you are not cligible to file a bank mentay case, and the secont can diamigs any case you do file. If that bannans you will less

whatever filing fee you paid, and your creditors will be able to resume collection activities against you. If your case is dismissed and you file another bankruptcy case later, you may be required to pay a second filing fee and you may have to take extra steps to stop creditors' collection activities.
Every individual debtor must file this Exhibit D. If a joint petition is filed, each spouse must complete and file a separate Exhibit D. Check one of the five statements below and attach any documents as directed.
1. Within the 180 days before the filing of my bankruptcy case, I received a briefing from a credit counseling agency approved by the United States trustee or bankruptcy administrator that outlined the opportunities for available credit counseling and assisted me in performing a related budget analysis, and I have a certificate from the agency describing the services provided to me. Attach a copy of the certificate and a copy of any debt repayment plan developed through the agency.
2. Within the 180 days before the filing of my bankruptcy case, I received a briefing from a credit counseling agency approved by the United States trustee or bankruptcy administrator that outlined the opportunities for available credit counseling and assisted me in performing a related budget analysis, but I do not have a certificate from the agency describing the services provided to me. You must file a copy of a certificate from the agency describing the services provided to you and a copy of any debt repayment plan developed through the agency no later than 14 days after your bankruptcy case is filed.
3. I certify that I requested credit counseling services from an approved agency but was unable to obtain the services during the seven days from the time I made my request, and the following exigent circumstances merit a temporary waiver of the credit counseling requirement so I can file my bankruptcy case now. [Summarize exigent circumstances here.]

If your certification is satisfactory to the court, you must still obtain the credit counseling briefing within the first 30 days after you file your bankruptcy petition and promptly file a certificate from the agency that provided the counseling, together with a copy of any debt management plan developed through the agency. Failure to fulfill these requirements may result in dismissal of your case. Any extension of the 30-day deadline can be granted only for cause and is limited to a maximum of 15 days. Your case may also be dismissed if the court is not satisfied with your reasons for filing your bankruptcy case without first receiving a credit

counseiing Drieting.
4. I am not required to receive a credit counseling briefing because of: [Check the applicable statement.] [Must be accompanied by motion for determination by the court.]
☐ Incapacity. (Defined in 11 U.S.C. § 109(h)(4) as impaired by reason of mental illness or mental deficiency so as to be incapable of realizing and making rational decisions with respect to financial responsibilities.);
Disability. (Defined in 11 U.S.C. § 109(h)(4) as physically impaired to the extent of being unable, after reasonable effort, participate in a credit counseling briefing in person, by telephone, or through the Internet.);
Active military duty in a military combat zone.
5. The United States trustee or bankruptcy administrator has determined that the credit counseling requirement of 11 U.S.C. § 1090 does not apply in this district.

I certify under penalty of perjury that the information provided above is true and correct.

Yathy herlo Date: December 22, 2014

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DECLARATION CONCERNING DEBTOR'S SCHEDULES

DECLARATION UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY BY INDIVIDUAL DEBTOR

DECLARATION	INDER PENALT I OF PERJORT BY INDIVIDUAL DEBTOR
I declare under penalty of perjury that I have true and correct to the best of my knowledge	read the foregoing summary and schedules, consisting of19 sheets, and that they are information, and belief.
	L. 1. 2. 16
Date: December 22, 2014 Sig	nature: X UTHU MINO
	Kathy Merlo
Date: Sig	nature:
	(Joint Debtor, if any) [If joint case, both spouses must sign.]
DECLARATION AND SIGNATURE	OF NON-ATTORNEY BANKRUPTCY PETITION PREPARER (See 11 U.S.C. § 110)
compensation and have provided the debtor with a and 342 (b); and, (3) if rules or guidelines have	a bankruptcy petition preparer as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 110; (2) I prepared this document for a copy of this document and the notices and information required under 11 U.S.C. §§ 110(b), 110(h), been promulgated pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 110(h) setting a maximum fee for services chargeable by otor notice of the maximum amount before preparing any document for filing for a debtor or accepting n.
Printed or Typed Name and Title, if any, of Bankruptcy	Petition Preparer Social Security No. (Required by 11 U.S.C. § 110.)
If the bankruptcy petition preparer is not an ind responsible person, or partner who signs the doc	ividual, state the name, title (if any), address, and social security number of the officer, principal, ument.
Address	
Signature of Bankruptcy Petition Preparer	Date
Names and Social Security numbers of all other in is not an individual:	dividuals who prepared or assisted in preparing this document, unless the bankruptcy petition preparer
If more than one person prepared this document,	attach additional signed sheets conforming to the appropriate Official Form for each person.
A bankruptcy petition preparer's failure to complimprisonment or both. 11 U.S.C. § 110; 18 U.S.	y with the provision of title 11 and the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure may result in fines or C. \S 156.
DECLARATION UNDER PENA	ALTY OF PERJURY ON BEHALF OF CORPORATION OR PARTNERSHIP
I, the	(the president or other officer or an authorized agent of the corporation or a
member or an authorized agent of the partne (corporation or partnership) named as debto schedules, consisting of sheets (to knowledge, information, and belief.	rship) of the
Date: Sig	gnature:
	(Print or tune name of individual signing on behalf of debtor)

[An individual signing on behalf of a partnership or corporation must indicate position or relationship to debtor.]

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None c. List all judicial or administrative proceedings, including settlements or orders, under any Environmental Law with respect to which the debtor is or was a party. Indicate the name and address of the governmental unit that is or was a party to the proceeding, and the docket number.

18. Nature, location and name of business

None

a. If the debtor is an individual, list the names, addresses, taxpayer-identification numbers, nature of the businesses, and beginning and ending dates of all businesses in which the debtor was an officer, director, partner, or managing executive of a corporation, partner in a partnership, sole proprietor, or was self-employed in a trade, profession, or other activity either full- or part-time within six years immediately preceding the commencement of this case, or in which the debtor owned 5 percent or more of the voting or equity securities within six years immediately preceding the commencement of this case.

If the debtor is a partnership, list the names, addresses, taxpayer identification numbers, nature of the businesses, and beginning and ending dates of all businesses in which the debtor was a partner or owned 5 percent or more of the voting or equity securities, within six years immediately preceding the commencement of this case.

If the debtor is a corporation, list the names, addresses, taxpayer identification numbers, nature of the businesses, and beginning and ending dates of all businesses in which the debtor was a partner or owned 5 percent or more of the voting or equity securities within six years immediately preceding the commencement of this case.

None

b. Identify any business listed in response to subdivision a., above, that is "single asset real estate" as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101.

[If completed by an individual or individual and spouse]

I declare under penalty of perjury that I have read the answers contained in the foregoing statement of financial affairs and any attachments thereto and that they are true and correct.

Date: <u>December 22, 2014</u>	Signature X WING MAN	Kathy Merio
Date:	Signature of Joint Debtor (if any)	
	0 continuation pages attached	

Penalty for making a false statement: Fine of up to \$500,000 or imprisonment for up to 5 years or both. 18 U.S.C. § 152 and 3571.

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United States Bankruptcy Court Northern District of Illinois

IN RE:		Case NoChapter 7		
Merlo, Kathy				
	Debtor(s)			
CHAPTER 7	INDIVIDUAL DEBTO	R'S STATEMEN	r of intention	
PART A – Debts secured by property of estate. Attach additional pages if necessa		fully completed for I	EACH debt which is secured by property of the	
Property No. 1				
Creditor's Name: Chase Home Mortgage		Describe Property Securing Debt: 2108 Old Elm Rd		
Property will be <i>(check one)</i> : Surrendered Retained				
If retaining the property, I intend to (che Redeem the property	eck at least one):			
Reaffirm the debt Other. Explain		(for example, avoid lien using 11 U.S.C. § 522(f)).		
Property is (check one): Claimed as exempt Not claimed	ad as aromut			
Property No. 2 (if necessary)	ed as exempt]		
Creditor's Name:		Describe Property Securing Debt:		
Property will be <i>(check one)</i> : Surrendered Retained				
If retaining the property, I intend to (ch Redeem the property Reaffirm the debt Other. Explain		(for e	example, avoid lien using 11 U.S.C. § 522(f)).	
Property is (check one): Claimed as exempt Not claim				
PART B – Personal property subject to us additional pages if necessary.)	nexpired leases. (All three o	columns of Part B mus	at be completed for each unexpired lease. Attack	
Property No. 1				
Lessor's Name: Ford Motor Credit	Describe Leased 2013 Ford Escap		Lease will be assumed pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 365(p)(2): ✓ Yes ☐ No	
Property No. 2 (if necessary)				
Lessor's Name:	Describe Leased	Property:	Lease will be assumed pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 365(p)(2): ☐ Yes ☐ No	
continuation sheets attached (if any)			
	nt the above indicates my	intention as to any	property of my estate securing a debt and/or	
Date:	Lathy	merlo		
	Signature of Debtor			
	Signature of Joint D	ebtor		